## **FISCAL NOTE**

## SB 446 - HB 1647

February 24, 2001

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Adds language to the Workers' Compensation law that designates costs for production of medical records as discretionary costs to be determined by the trial judge, subject to a \$1,000 limit.

## **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant/Claims Award Fund
Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant

The state is exempt from discretionary cost except for the cost of a physician's oral deposition.

Local governments currently assume the cost to obtain medical records and any increase in such cost is estimated to be not significant.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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